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POPULATION AND SOLUTIONS CONTAINING MIXED CELL POPULATIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 17, 1996, Applicants request the following amendments be made and the following groups of claims and species be examined in the patent application identified above.

In the Claims

Please add new claims 17-21 as follows:

17. (New) The detection method according to claim 1, further comprising:  
isolating the target-cells by exposing the complex of cells and paramagnetic particles to a magnetic field to magnetically aggregate the cells;